

WITNESS ASSERTS \$25,000 SCOW WAS NOT SEAWORTHY

Could See Through Planking
and City Had to Pay for
Repairs.

Continuing his investigation into the purchase by former Street Cleaning Commissioner John P. Leo of a couple of side dumping scows, Commissioner of Accounts Hirschfeld to-day brought out testimony to the effect that the scows were in bad repair, and at least twenty years old and, in the opinion of men classed as experts, there was no necessity for considering the side dumping patents of E. P. Eastman from whom they were purchased for \$25,000 each.

Frank M. Davis, an inspector in the Finance Department, said he examined the scows at Olden's yard in Brooklyn. Planking was so bad, he said, it could be seen through on the slope of the pockets. He examined Scow No. 2 before and after repairs and said it would cost \$5,000 more to make it seaworthy. Scow No. 3, he said, needed a new bottom and the specifications called for a new bottom, which he found had not been put in. The repairs had cost \$2,678 and Eastman, he said, had paid

\$1,250 of this amount after its sale to the city.

Hirschfeld asked the witness if he thought the seller's conscience caused him to do this.

"I can't speak for a man's conscience," said the witness. Capt. Edward Card, manager of the Cahill Towing Company, said the two side dumpers were not now safe to tow to sea, and to be seaworthy they would have to be rebuilt.

Peter Condemino, employed by President La Guardia of the Board of Aldermen, declared the Eastman patent was not necessary to build a side dumper, as he had side dumping patents that had expired and which any one could use. He could not see why a royalty should be paid to Eastman.

Correspondence was introduced between Commissioner Leo and Eastman relative to the building of five scows upon which Eastman was to be allowed a royalty of \$75,000. This was after the purchase of the two scows by the city.

WORKMAN IS MISSING SINCE THEATRE CRASH

De Boni's Brother Asks Aid of
Police in Finding Him.

Joseph De Boni of No. 657 Wythe Avenue, Brooklyn, asked the Missing Persons Bureau at Police Headquarters to-day to find his brother, Patsy De Boni, twenty-six years old, who was last seen working in the American Theatre, No. 779 Bedford Avenue, Brooklyn, at noon the day the structure collapsed.

The search of the ruins, which had been suspended at midnight, was resumed this morning.

District Attorney Lewis said his investigators had not yet learned the

cause of the collapse, but added he believed a grand jury investigation would be necessary. He said he thought it was at least as important to put builders under a licensing system as to license physicians.

SUED BY THIRD WIFE, WHO CHARGES CRUELTY

Schaefer's First Ran Away and
Second Killed Self, He Says.

Mrs. Mathilda Schaefer of No. 481 Fairview Avenue, Brooklyn, to-day asked Justice Kopper in the Brooklyn Supreme Court for alimony and counsel fees pending trial of her suit for separation from Heinrich Schaefer, whom she charges with cruel and inhuman treatment.

The couple were married by civil ceremony five years ago and went through a religious ceremony last January. She charges that Schaefer beat her. He said she was misled by a cousin and tried to be "loose" in his home. Schaefer has been married three times. His first wife ran away with another man, and the second was an invalid and committed suicide, he said.

TWO BILLION OIL POOL REPORTED FROM BOSTON

"Largest Company in World's History" Said to Be Forming.

No definite information could be obtained here to-day regarding the report from Boston of the organization, in progress, of "the largest company in the history of the world." According to the Boston report, it will have a total authorized capital of \$2,000,000,000 to absorb oil companies in various parts of the world. It is to be known as the World Commerce Company, and a Philadelphia trust company was understood to be working on details, with nine companies already in line.

A New York man mentioned as one of the directors said there was no authorization for the use of his name. Pittsburgh financier mentioned either declined to say anything or said they knew nothing about it.

SEEKING NICKEL LOST IN SUBWAY, BOY IS KILLED

Lifted Grating to Search for
Coin and Fell Before
Train.

Thirteen-year-old John Martin of No. 172 East 102d Street earned a nickel yesterday afternoon. He and Walter Connolly, twelve, of No. 156 East 102d Street, were walking on the gratings of the Lexington Avenue subway near the 102d Street Station, and John took the coin from his pocket to show it to Walter and

dropped it through the grating.

Together the boys lifted a section of the grating, and while Walter watched for the approach of a policeman, John dropped through the hole. He thought he would land on the end of the station platform, but instead he fell to the northbound local tracks. Just entering the station was a northbound local train, with Charles Eldridge at the motor. Eldridge saw the boy hit the rails and jammed on the brakes. But it was too late—the first car passed over the boy's body.

Ignorant of what had befallen his playmate, Walter waited above on the grating. Finally he became frightened and called Patrolman O'Connor. The latter, with subway employees, extricated John's body. The nickel was found a few feet away.

John and Walter attended St. Cecilia's Parochial School at 100th Street and Second Avenue. John is said there to have been a model scholar.

Assistant Medical Examiner Hohmann said it was impossible for Eldridge to have halted his train in time to avoid hitting the boy and no rest was made.

MARRIED BY CABLE; MAN IN MONTANA, BRIDE IN PARIS

Former Service Man's Wedding
Takes Seven Hours of Tele-
graphic Relay.

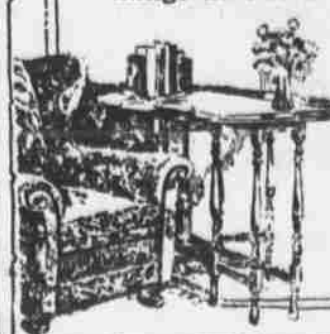
HARTINGTON, Neb., Dec. 2. Lester J. Mabous of Helena is somewhat wistfully receiving congratulations of his friends on his marriage yesterday. Wistfully, because his bride is 4,000 miles away, in Paris. They were married by cable and telegraphic relay by Judge W. F. Bryant, who says the ceremony will hold in law.

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